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Dear Friends,

Congratulations to Whitefish Bay's boys soccer team who [won the WIAA State D2 championship!](#) Last weekend the Blue Dukes defeated Cedarburg 1-0. It's their first in 20 years. Way to go!

There's still time to help Germantown High School win \$100,000! Students there wrote, shot, and edited a 30 second video to promote safe driving. They've made it to the final 100 videos in a contest promoted by State Farm Insurance. The contest ends today. Please visit celebratemydrive.com, watch their video, and vote!

As always, if you have any ideas on how to improve our great state, please do not hesitate to contact me at Sen.Darling@legis.wi.gov or at 608-266-5830.

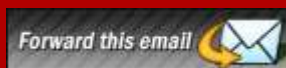
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Fox Point-Bayside Schools Visit





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Thank you to everyone at the Fox Point-Bayside School District for making my recent visit such a great experience. I am incredibly impressed by the learning environment in their schools.

The school district is committed to rigorous academic standards and it shows. Fox Point-Bayside is one of the top performing school districts in Wisconsin. In fact, they are one of only five districts to earn the rank of "Significantly Exceeds Expectations" for two years in a row.

Something special is happening in the Fox Point-Bayside School District. Thank you for letting me witness it firsthand.

Licensing Change Preps Kids for Workforce

Business owners consistently tell me they have job openings, but are unable to find skilled workers to fill their vacancies. At the same time, our schools are struggling with preparing students for jobs in many high-demand and highly compensated fields because they lack enough teachers in the science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields. Without enough teachers, our schools can't produce students who are ready to take the family-supporting jobs the economy is creating. But that is changing.

One barrier to the transfer of STEM skills was Wisconsin's well-meaning but outdated teacher licensure laws. As a former teacher, I know how difficult and expensive it is to earn a teacher's license. It's hard to convince mid-career professionals in the STEM fields to stop working, go to school full-time and possibly accrue student loan debt. In a constantly evolving global economy, Wisconsin can't wait for people to jump through traditional hoops to licensure before they can enter the classroom.

You can read the rest of the article [here](#).

Happy Veterans Day!



A large crowd gathers for a Veterans Day ceremony in the State Capitol this week.

Thank you to all the brave men and women who have protected our freedom!

Around the 8th...



It was an honor to speak to the Kiwanis Club of Milwaukee this week. I had a great time!